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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Hassan Pirasteh, et al.

: Paper No:

Serial No. 09/223,993

: Group Art Unit: 2645

Filed: December 31, 1998

: Primary Examiner: Gerald Gauthier

For: **SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR IVR PORT SHARING****AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Box Amendment - Fee  
 The Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for the above-captioned application.

Applicant is a

☐ Small Entity☒ Large Entity

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R.  
 §1.136 apply.

*(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)*

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (fees: 37  
 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	400.00	200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	920.00	460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	1,440.00	720.00

Fee: \$\_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition  
 therefor.

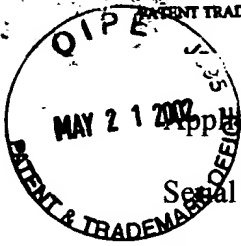
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- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for petition for extension of time.

### **FEE FOR CLAIMS**

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate Small Entity		Rate Large Entity	Add'l Fee
Total *	12	Minus **	20	=	X 9.00	\$	X 18.00	\$
Indep. *	4	Minus ***	1	=	X 42.00	\$	X 84.00	\$84.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependant Claim					X 140.00	\$	+280.00	\$
					<b>Total Addt'l. Fee</b>	\$	<b>Total Addt'l. Fee</b>	\$84.00

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of the prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

*(complete (c) or (d) as required)*

- (c) ☐ No additional fee for claims is required.

- (d) ☒ Total additional fee for claims required \$ 84.00

### **FEE PAYMENT**

- ☒ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 84.00 covering the total additional fee for claims required.
- ☐ Please charge Frost Brown Todd LLC Account No. 06-2226 for the total fee due.

A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.


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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of fees to Frost Brown Todd LLC Deposit Account No. 06-2226.

Respectfully submitted,

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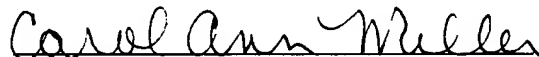
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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**Box Fee Amendment**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action, dated 19 February 2002, please consider the following amendments and accompanying remarks.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims:**

✓  
Please amend claim 5 as follows:

- Sub B2
5. (Amended) A system comprising:
- a plurality of telephone call receiving switches;
  - a plurality of multiple port IVR's adapted to play a plurality of scripts, in electronic communication with said switches;
  - at least one server computer in electronic communication with said IVR's;
  - a network structure facilitating electronic communication between said IVR's and said switches and said at least one server; and
  - a port sharing data interface processing program in operation with IVR's, whereby each port of each IVR is monitored to determine its availability to receive a call and play at least one of said scripts to a caller.

Please add new claims 6-11 as follows:



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